DDA's Festival Housing Scheme

†*265. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Delhi Development Authority had introduced Festival Housing Scheme;

(b) if so, the number of houses proposed to be allotted under this scheme;

(c) whether it is a fact, that allotments under this scheme had been made in violation of the policy set in this regard; and

(d) if so, the facts in this regard and the persons responsible therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has informed that it had launched Festival Housing Scheme during the period from 20.10.2004 to 24.11.2004 and has allotted 2506 flats under the scheme.

(c) and (d) The DDA has further informed that allotments were made in accordance with the policy. As such the question of fixing responsibility against any officer does not arise.

Welfare schemes for women and children

†*267. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are running the schemes for the welfare of women and children;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the amount disbursed under such schemes during the Tenth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c) The details of the schemes being implemented by the Department of Women and Child Development during Tenth Five Year Plan are provided in the Annual Reports (2002-03 to 2004-05) of the Department, which are placed in the Parliament. These Reports are available in the Parliament Library and departmental website *http://www.wcd.nic.in* also. However, the details of the major welfare schemes for women and children are given at Statement-I and the amount disbursed under these schemes are given at Statement-II.

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Statement-I

Details of the major schemes being implemented by the department of women and child development for welfare and development of women and children

1. **Creches/Day Care Centres for Children of Working and Ailing Mothers**

   The Central Sector Scheme of Creches for Children of Poor Working Women and Ailing Mothers were started in 1975. The scheme aims to provide day care services to the children below the age of five years, belonging to the weaker sections of the society. The services provided to the children include day care facilities, supplementary nutrition, immunization, medical facilities and recreation. The scheme has been restructured and renamed as Rajiv Gandhi National Creche Scheme for the Children of Working Mothers and the financial norms under this programme have been revised upwardly.

2. **ICDS**

   The Scheme provides a package of services comprising of supplementary nutrition, immunization, health check-up, referral services, pre-school non-formal education and nutrition and health education to children below 6 years and pregnant and lactating mothers.

3. **ICDS Training**

   To strengthen ICDS programme and optimize its qualitative outcomes, the scheme provides for training of CDPOs/ACDPOs and AWWs in the country.

4. **Hostels for Working Women**

   To provide suitable, safe and inexpensive accommodation to working women residing in places away from their home towns to be able to work.

5. **Swawlamban**

   The scheme is being implemented to train poor women and to provide them employment opportunities on sustainable basis in non-traditional and training women in upcoming trade. This scheme is in the process of being transferred to the States.

6. **Support to Training and Employment Programme for Women (STEP)**

   The scheme aims to make a significant impact on women in traditional sectors by upgrading skills and providing employment on a project basis by mobilizing women in viable groups, arranging for marketing linkages, support services and access to credit.

7. **Swadhar**

   The scheme seeks to rehabilitate the women in difficult circumstances by a shelter-based holistic and integrated approach. The components covered include shelter, food, counselling, medical and legal support, training for economic rehabilitation of women and help line facilities.

8. **Short Stay Homes for Women And Girls**

   The scheme seeks to protect and rehabilitate those women and girls who are facing social and moral danger due to family problems, mental strains, social ostracism, exploitation and other causes.

9. **Awareness Generation Project (AGP)**

   It aims to generate awareness among rural and poor women to activate them to work for achieving their rights and to deal with social issues in their surroundings.

10. **Condensed Courses of Education for Women**

    The object of the scheme is to provide opportunities to school drop-out girls/women for formal education and vocational skills to needy women. The scheme benefits windows, destitute deserted women and also those belonging to economically backward classes.

11. **Swayamsidha**

    Swayamsidha is an integrated scheme for women's empowerment through women's Self-Help Group (SHGs).

12. **Swa-shakti**

    The projects aims at enhancing women's access to resources to improve quality of their life through use of drudgery and time deducting devices, health, literacy and confidence enhancement and by increasing their control over income through their involvement in skill development and income generation.

13. **Balika Samridhi Yojana**

This scheme is a comprehensive girl child specific scheme, which addresses the discrimination against them. Upto two girls are covered from a family to provide benefits of post-delivery grant of Rs. 500/- and scholarship of Rs. 300/- to Rs. 1000/- upto Tenth Standard. The scheme is in the process of being transferred to the States.

Statement-II

Details of expenditure of the major schemes of the department of women and child development during tenth five year plan

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Expenditure (during 2002-03 to 2004-05 & anti. exp. 2005-06)
1.	Creches/Day Care Centers for Children of Working and Ailing Mothers	56.02
2.	Hostels for Working Women	22.46
3.	Swawlamban	66.03
4.	Support to Training and Employment Programme (STEP)	67.72
5.	Swadhar	15.37
6.	Short Stay Homes	52.87
7.	Condensed Courses	17.81
8.	Awareness Generation Projects	19.18
9.	Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme (General) and World Bank—ICDS	9548.99
10.	World Bank—Training (UDISHA)	219.55
11.	Balika Samriddhi Yojana	39.77
12.	Swyamsidha	44.93
13.	Swa-Shakti	64.12

Internet connection in schools and colleges

*268. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to provide high-speed internet connection to various schools and colleges in every district;